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MOUNTAINAIR WILL CELEBRATE THE FOURTH OF JULY

Committees are Getting Busy in Preparation of the Event

SOMETHING DOING ALL DAY LONG

At a meeting of the business men on Monday night of this week, arrangements were begun for the celebration of the Fourth of July at Mountainair. B. L. Mitchell was chosen chairman of the meeting, P. A. Speckmann, secretary, and C. E. Bigelow treasurer.

It was decided to hold a celebration, with a good program of sports of various kinds, including races, ball game, etc., and speaking, music, etc. C. L. Burt was named as a committee of one to secure a speaker, several names being suggested, from which he will secure at least one outside man.

A committee on arrangements, to decide on grounds where the various forms of entertainment will be held, was named consisting of M. A. Bullington, Fred Hinton, and B. L. Mitchell.

I. F. Lory, C. L. Burt, Fred Hinton and T. L. Capt were named as a soliciting committee to secure the necessary funds.

The program committee will consist of Lloyd Orme, C. A. Noble, W. L. Martin, G. C. Fulfer and L. L. Lorey.

Ed. Ingraham, Clyde Mayo and Jason Williams were given the task of arranging for a ball game as a part of the afternoon sports.

A good start was made in the way of finance before the meeting adjourned, and it is assured that there will be at least two hundred and fifty dollars for cash prizes for the sports of the day.

Everybody is invited to bring basket dinner, and enjoy an old-fashioned picnic in the shade of the cedars and pines. Plenty of water will be provided at convenient places, for both the crowd of people and for the cars of horses.

Another meeting of the committees will be held on next Monday night, when reports will be made as to what has been done, and further matters planned.

District S. S. Convention

A movement is under way to organize a district Sunday School Convention to include the southwestern portion of Torrance County, the territory to be included to be probably all west of the range line between ranges 9 and 10, and south of township line between townships 4 and 5. All Sunday Schools within this territory are requested to take the matter up and secure a decision as to whether they care to become affiliated with such a body, and report same either to the Independent or to Rev. W. D. Garrison, Mountainair. If possible, it is desired to perfect the organization at a meeting to be held the 5th Sunday in July, when a program will be given, including outside as well as home workers. Each S. S. superintendent is requested to take the matter up with his school.

Woman's Auxiliary

The County Chairman of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Defense Council of the State, and Production League urges all ladies that feel an interest in the work, and especially the appointed representative from each district to attend the county meetings, as these are both instructive and beneficial to each individual member. The next meeting will be held in Estancia June 30th.

By order of the secretary.

Have you sent those friends in the east copies of the Booster Supplement?

LAWN FETE AT "SLABSIDES"

Club Members Spend Pleasant Day in Barranca Canyon

The big social event of the season occurred on last Thursday when Judge and Mrs. M. B. Fuller entertained the members of the Thursday Afternoon Club and other friends, at their delightful summer home in Barranca Cañon, the affair being the annual June Fete of the club.

The arriving guests were charmed with the picturesque view of "Slabsides," in its dress of brown and green, nestling among the tall pines on the hill side, and above it "Old Glory" waved a joyous welcome.

The host and hostess are famed for their gracious hospitality and on this day they were at their best. The Judge, especially, outdid them all in glee.

The committee, Mrs. Rhoades, Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Fuller, are deserving of special mention for the happy management of the affair.

The guests began arriving about 10 o'clock a. m., determined to make a day of it. Miss Verde Corbett presided at the piano and delighted all with both popular and classical music.

The time was passed by some in exploring the cañon, picking wild roses, and drinking cool, refreshing spring water.

At one o'clock, came one of the great events of the day. Dinner was served cafeteria style—in a shady, wooded nook near the spring. The menu was chicken salad, cottage cheese, deviled eggs, pickles, sandwiches, nut bread sandwiches, cookies, chocolate cake, angel food, coffee and sherbet. All were bountifully served, and some are inclined to think this was the happiest of the day.

After dinner some of the guests gathered around the piano and sang the "Old Songs" that we all know and love, while others visited on the vine clad verandas. Mrs. Ruth C. Parton sang two selections to the delight of all and Miss Bernice Orme contributed much pleasure by giving two readings in her most charming way.

It was a merry day for all and the guests reluctantly departed, expressing many words of appreciation for a good time and voting it the end of a perfect day. More than forty were present.—A Guest.

Next Sunday

On next Sunday, the pastor, Rev. T. V. Ludlow, will preach at Lucy at the morning hour, returning home in the afternoon. At 8 o'clock Rev. S. Alonzo Bright, D. D., district superintendent, will preach. On Monday morning the third quarterly conference will be conducted at 10 o'clock, at which time all official members are urged to be present and all others interested are invited. Sunday school at 10 o'clock Sunday as usual. A teacher has been secured for the boys class to succeed Marshall Orme, who is serving Uncle Sam at Albuquerque, and the boys are especially urged to be present.

Elect Principal

The local schoolboard has decided the principalship of the Mountainair schools for next term by selecting Shelton W. Parton, for that position. Mrs. J. E. Veal and Miss Alice Hoyland were re-elected some time ago, leaving one vacancy—that of a successor for Mrs. Parton, and the decision also regarding an extra teacher for the coming term.

Mrs. Flatbush—See how that hen holds up its head?

Mrs. Bensonhurst—Don't speak so loud; it will hear you. It doesn't know we are boycotting its product.

TORRANCE COUNTY LIST OF REGISTRATION

Below is a list of those who have registered in Torrance county for military service, and thus put themselves at their country's call.

Precinct 1—Tajique

Blanchett R. T., Barela Tromolo, Barela Rafael, Barela Diego, Barela Alejandro, Blea Antonio, Hartley Sam E., Herrin Hermon, King Napoleon, McComas Fred, Lesperanza Cipriano, Maldonado Emilio, Maldonado Merced, McKinley J. G., Ogier Clarence D., Quintano Mariano, Sanches Martin, Sanches Claudio, Sanches Benigno, San Jose M., Sedillo Manuel, Trujillo Segundo, Sedillo Estanislado, Taylor Joseph Preston.

Precinct 2—Torreón

Archuleta Solomon, Anderson Byrd Apodaca Juan Cy, Castillo Juan, Benavidez Antonio Chavez y, Chavez Roberto, Chavez Solomon, Chavez Manuel, Chavez George, Gallegos Juan, Gallegos A. Edw., Garcia Eutimio, Gallegos Abelicio, Gabaldon Marcario, Garcia Elicio, Luna Manuel, Luna Andres, Lucero Juan, Lopez Meliton, Lopez Manuel, Lujan Eulogio, Lucero Manuel, Montoya Dionicio, Montoya Vicente, Oters Antonio J., Perea Antonio, Padilla Nicolas, Perea Jose Am., Perea Luis, Perea Felipe, Pyburn, R. C., Ruiz Francisco, Sanches Estolano, Sedillo David, Torrez Rafael, Torrez Flavio, Torrez Juan Vijil y, Vijil Miguel, Vijil Antonio Jose, Vijil Manuel, Zamora Manuel, Zamora Pedro.

Precinct 3—Manzano

Aragon Jesus, Aragon Elascion, Bermudez Felix, Buenavente E., Chavez Jose L., Chavez Severo, Candelaria Epifanio, Candelaria Eustaquio, Candelaria Deciderio, Chavez Pablo S., Candelaria Cosme, Griego Silvestre, Gutierrez Sant'lo, Gutierrez Marc's, Garcia Eusebio, Garcia Rafael, Garcia Jose Baca y., Gutierrez Alejandro, Sanchez y Griego Filomeno, Garcia Manuel, Gabaldon Jose, Jaramillo Justo, Lopez Ruperto, Lopez Andres, Lucero Pablo, Lobato Prudencio, Lopez Santiago, Lobato Gregorio, Lopez Procopio, Lopez Sixto, Lopes Baltazar, Lobato Ysidro, Luera Juan, Lopez Ygnacio, Lopez Severiano, Luera Evaristo, Montaño Ramon, Martinez Silvestre, Montaño Juan Serna, Mahan Gus, Maestas Manuel, McComas E. W., McKinley Marvin, Padilla Luciano, Romero Albino, Padilla Juan Sanches y, Perea Jose Garcia y, Romero Juan, Serna Antonio J., Serna Manuel, Serna Daniel, Sanches Severo, Saiz Pedro, Silva Adriano, Sandoval Pablo, Sanches Bolais, Saiz Antonio, Serna Salome, Sigala Pedro, Sanches y Salas Jose, Serna Candelario, Tafolla Elicio, Silva Santiago y Serna, Trujillo Porfirio, Varela Jose T.

Precinct 4—Cienega

Balden C. F., Duncan Riley, Carrillo Victoriano, Crossett E. W., Flores Juan Jose, Jiron Juan, Kayser Geo. M., Dayser Chas. A., Lerma Teodoro, Mosley Thos. J., Peña Emilio, Ross W. A., Tarin Rafael, Thurber A. B., Torres Florain Chavez y, Thurber W. B., Wheeler Ed.

Precinct 5—Punta

Autrey J. C., Baca Elfego, Chavez Jose de Jesus, East E. R., Guzman Jose, Griego Fabian, Hale S. N., Gonzalez Raymundo, Hopkins Wm., Jaramillo Andres, Lujan Juany Torres, Otero y Padilla Lorenzo, Quintana Jose Domingo, Tariny Ribera Clemente, Rhoades Booker, Romero Juan C., Sanches Gregorio Shaw J. R. S., Tabet Tanous, Tabet Tom, Tabet Juan, Torrez Mariano, Turner W. A., Tomlinson Addie, Williams J. C.

Precinct 6—Willard

Artiaga Vicente, Alvarado Juan, Alderete Sosteno Torres y, Brazil Jose Rumaldo, Brazil Jos. J., Bosley Clifford A., Bussell Paul, Bosley C. E., Biggs

Chas. M., Burns Jesse D., Brasswell E. G., Brazil Jose B., Braswell A. B., Burton Richard, Bennett Chas. T., Brockaw Harry N., Brazil Manuel Joaquin, Brazil Antonio J., Brazil Manuel B. Custer Carl B., Chavez Juan J., Chavez Maximiliano, Chavez Fernandez, Cisneros Juan E., Cain Pat H., Cruz Prospero, Dougherty E. E., Calderon Trinidad, Drummond E. C., Drummond D. D., Dougherty C. B., Delgado Pascual, Elmore J. H., Elliston Wm. R., Earle E. C., Elliston Eddie, Fuller Albert V., Fulfer Nathah S., Giles Rance C., Gray Ivan H., Garcia Toribio, Gallegos Elias S., Garza Jose O., Gist Joseph L., Gaitan Bruno, Govea Leon, Hammond M. N., Hanlon James H., Hambrick C. E., Hemphill Jas. H., Howell Jos A., Hinojos Jose B., Hutchins J. G., Humphries R., Hibler Chas., Hanna Geo. W., Harris Geo B., Hatcher H. W., Hambrick Abe, Johnson Wm. J., Johnson A. V., Johnson Wm. B., Keithley M. C., Keithley S. L., Luera Juan, Luna Jose, Little Fred L., Lovell Fred, Luera Alejandro, Mansfield John W., Montgomery J. A., Mashburn W. R., Montgomery R. G., Murff Wade Hampton, Mashburn P., Nutter Daniel S., Negrette Juan, Owen Franklin W., Owen Louis C., Owen Lake P., Owen John Y., Pruitt Wallace M., Plant Ross B., Parker Wm. H., Piggett Buert E., Rhoades Chas. N., Pineda Encarnacion, Raff Herman, Roberson C. A., Rhoades B. J., Rhoades Wm. E., Rosales Manuel, Smith Earnest E., Stokes Benj E., Stean Chas. N., Schelle Jas. C., Stoker John Roy, Sharvock D. E., Shean Arthur H., Springer A. V., Shaufner H. M., Scott Dare C., Shaufner F. M., Scivally A. W., Shean John E., Sandusky F. L., Thomas Olive, Gomez y Torres, Thomas Frank F., Torres Antonio Gomez y, Thomas R. C., Underwood Ira L., Trujillo Anastacio, Vick Louis, Vick Clarence, Wyatt Wm. J., Webb Samuel F., Wyatt Lester E., Welch Linus, Wood Geo. A., Webb Wm. W., Wright Alvin R., White Bennie B., Williams Emory, Ward Clarence M., White Adam, Williams L. C., Wright C. C., Yarbrough A. H.

Precinct 7—Estancia

Archibeque Jose, Blake John V., Bohannon J. W., Baca Gregorio, Brito Eugenio, Baca Valetin, Baker John Lee, Brown Orville, Berkshire H. J., Baca Pedro, Benavides Jesus Sanchez y, Barker Wm. E., Baker Wm. L., Baxter Chas. Wm., Bailey Earl, Boyd Claud E., Boyd Arthur, Cain Buford, Comer Bradley, Comer Castlow, Chinn Olaff F., Chandler E. H., Cannod Ivan G., Chaddick E. C., Cedillo Meliton, Chandler A. E., Cain Thomas, Cargo Robert E., Cross John H., Collins Otto O., Douglas Leo A., Duncan Virgil, Dow Daniel M., Elicio Santos, Eppler R. W., Picklin Alvin, Ferrell Lan, Freilinger G. F., Freilinger M. G., Flowers H. T., Gonzales Jose L., Garrett Daniel J., Gregory J., Garland Roscoe, Gilliam M. B., Garland Oscar, Garner Pulver, Goodman H. L., Griego Clemente, Gay Maynard F., Gay John T., Grimmell A. F., Gonzales E., Hawkins Fred L., Hayes Henry H., Hibler Albert F., Hoover E. D., Harwell Roland, Hatch John C., Hernandez Man'l, Holstein L. K., Haddox Isaac P., Henley John W., Ingle James A., Jaramillo A., Johnston S. C., Johnston Troy A., Johnston F. W., Johnston John W., Kookan O. R., Luera Clemente, Lambert E. A., Libojaski C. J., Moore Geo. S., Madole John F., Mullen Benj L., Montoya Placido, Miller Erasmus, Miller Robt. B., Madole Wm. R., Mancker Lee H., Mason Forrest L., Meador Wm. R., Norman Jas. H., Norman Creed T., Ogilvie Robt. R., Ogilvie Howard, Pierce Thos L., Page Robert J., Price Wm. H., Phillips Frank B., Pace Harry C., Pace Walter H., Park (Continued on last page)

CARE FOR STOCK OR PAY DAMAGES

Is Ruling of Judge Medler in District Court in Stock Case

In reply to the question regarding a herd law, which is again raised by one of our correspondents in another column, we have to reply that the New Mexico Statutes favor the cattle men rather than the farmer. Section 2341 of the Codification of 1915, provides for damages to be paid the farmer by the stockman, when cattle have trespassed upon cultivated or enclosed ground, when the same is enclosed with a legal fence. The following section describes a legal barbed wire fence, as being not less than four wires, the top wire at least four feet from the ground, the wires not over twelve inches apart; posts set firmly in the ground to a depth of at least two feet, not more than twenty-four feet apart, and posts to be not less than three inches in diameter at the smaller end. When the posts are more than sixteen feet apart, there shall be stays four feet long and at least one inch thick firmly fastened to the wire not more than eight feet apart.

Judge Medler of our District Court held in two cases about a year ago, that it was practically impossible for the farmers to build such a fence, and in each case, where it had been proven that the farmers had warned the owners of the stock that damage was being done, and the owners failed to care for their stock, gave a judgment in favor of the farmers as against the owners of the stock.

Section 49 of the Statutes provides: "It shall not be legal for any person or persons in this State, or for any owner or owners of large stock, to allow the same to run at large during the months of March, April, May, June, July, August, September and October, nor under any pretext whatever to have them at large on their ranches or herding ranges, unless they shall have them under custody during the months above specified. And every person or persons who shall violate the provisions of this section shall suffer a fine and costs, as provided in the laws in force in this State."

The Movies

Manager Davis of the Motion Picture Show has succeeded in getting things to running smoothly, and has put on some good shows recently. The shows on Tuesday night and last night were the best thus far put on, and were enjoyed by a large crowd. On Saturday night "Jackstraws" a 3-reel drama will be given followed by the comedy "Ham's Strategy." Popular prices prevail. Tonight Manager Davis will put on a free show.

Directors Meeting

A meeting of the directors of the Bean Growers Farm Loan Association will be held at the Independent Office on Saturday afternoon, June 23, at 4 o'clock. Important business is to come before the body and all directors are urged to be present.

Year Book and Bulletins

Senator A. B. Fall has written us that the 1916 Agricultural Year Book is now ready for distribution, and anyone desiring a copy, can secure it by addressing him at Washington. We will have a limited number at the Independent Office, and likewise a number of bulletins of special interest to our local farmers, which may be secured upon application to us.

C. H. Jackson brought in an immigrant car from Monahane, Texas, the first of the week, which he has unloaded, expecting to make his home here.

FALL AMENDMENT HAS NO SHOW TO BECOME LAW

According to Chairmau Ferris of the Committee on Lands

WOULD OPEN WAY FOR IMMENSE FRAUD

Santa Fe N. M., June 14.—That the so-called Fall amendment to the food bill, which provides for the designating for entry, without further classification or action, all surveyed unreserved lands in New Mexico under the 640-acre homestead law, has no chance of final passage because it is so far reaching that it opens the door to land frauds of all sorts, is the information contained in a telegram received by Arthur Seligman, Democratic state chairman, from Congressman Scott Ferris, chairman of the public lands committee of the house. Mr. Seligman has been in communication for some time with Senator Jones and Congressman Walton in reference to the immediate designation for entry of New Mexico land under the 640-acre law, so that entries might be approved and settlement made, and they have been working on legislation designed to accomplish this and at the same time safeguard the interests of both the homesteader and the government. That their efforts will prove successful is forecasted in Mr. Ferris telegram, which reads:

"Hon. Arthur Seligman,

"Santa Fe, N. M.

"Our committee now considering senate amendments. Interior department insists amendments are so far-reaching and open door to fraud of all sorts that department will not approve them. We are working with department trying to get some legislation that will get results.

SCOTT FERRIS."

The Red Cross

Some of our ladies have confused the joining of the local Red Cross society with the volunteering as a Red Cross nurse. The two have no connection whatever. The organization, which is to be perfected shortly, is for the purpose of helping to provide supplies necessary for the use of the Red Cross hospitals and nurses, and for the study of disease and accidents, as a precautionary measure in avoiding them and meeting them when necessity arises.

Everyone interested in our boys at the front, whether it be in the army or navy, is invited to attend the meeting at the schoolhouse, Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, to assist in organizing a local chapter. This week, having been designated by President Wilson in which to raise funds and secure new members for the society, it is especially appropriate that our people take an active interest in the local society. Remember that the men are urged to become honorary members by the payment of the dues of one dollar.

Threatened Showers

Each afternoon this week, showers have hung around and rain has threatened. Tuesday afternoon a little moisture fell, not sufficient to settle dust, but enough to clarify the atmosphere. A report from northwest is that quite a shower fell near Eastview. As the wind is in the east quite a bit of the time, the outlook is promising for early moisture this year.

Preaching Services

Liberty, 2d Sunday at 11 a. m. Round-top, 3d Sunday, 11 a. m. Mesa Schoolhouse, 4th Sunday, 11 a. m. W. D. Garrison, Pastor.